



## Swimmer's Club Social Event



After a hardworking start to the season and much success we decided to use part of our fundraising money to hold a fun social event for our swimmers.

Thank you to all at South Moorlands Leisure Centre. We had a great afternoon.

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### Club Success



#### November:

**West Mids Regional short course (25 metre pool) at Coventry.**

The Age Groups at this competition are 15/U and Open

Charlotte Brooks make her debut and PB'd on the 200 Breast 2.54.57.

Max Wainwright finished 3rd in the 50 Breast Senior final, Max PB'd on the 100 Breast in the heat 1.06.92 - but unfortunately got DQ'd in the final.

Ethan Walker won his Age Group 400 IM and finished 2nd in his age on 200 Back (good PB 2.14.42) and also finished 2nd on the 200 Fly .

#### Club Champs Rescheduled - November

We swam the first two galas of the rescheduled Club Champs in November with the distance races. Many good PB's and some well inside County and Regional times, unfortunately as the pool is in yards the Champs are not licensed. The most noticeable swims were the record times from the Girls on the 1650 Free off Emma Masterson, Charlotte Brooks, Brogan Milward, Lily Jinks and Also from the Boys on 800 Free Max Mottram and Fin Spooner. Some of the times compared to one year before were big PB's by over 4 minutes. Emma Masterson had PB's at the Club Champs in 2021 by 30 seconds and then said I don't feel well - Emma was confirmed with Covid the next day. Emma's performance in 2022 was another PB by around 30 seconds.

#### Arena League

The Arena League team finished 3rd in the November Gala narrowly behind 2nd place - so just missing out on the Final.

#### Mansfield Meet

This meet offers a good range of events including 400's Free & 400 IM We saw a number of good performances, unfortunately we also had a number of swimmers struggling with illness. Despite this there were 49 PB's and a number more County Qualifying times - In particular Jacob Oakes, Tom & Will Horton and Brooke Bartley.

**Swimmer of the Month for November**  
James Masterson



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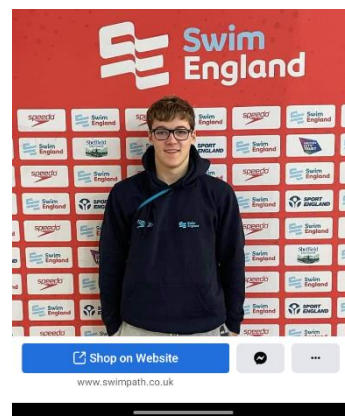
### Club Success



#### Winter Nationals short course at Ponds Forge

The format was strange in that two simultaneous events were being run - Male events in one pool and female events in the other pool. The age group at this competition are Junior's (18/u) and Open.

Max Wainwright swam a PB on the 50 Breast (29.62) which was also a Staffordshire Junior County Record. Max also swam in the 100 Breast.



#### Club Champs Rescheduled - December

A much larger turnout this year with 49 swimmers as opposed to 35 last year. Some great racing and many PB's. With so many races within 1 hour 45 minutes this makes the performances outstanding as there was no time to recover and start a race fresh.

At the end of the club Champs we had 23 new records. Ethan set 14, Max Wainwright 3, Max Mottram 1, Fin Spooner 1, Emma Masterson 1, Charlotte Brooks 1, Brogan Milward 1, Lily Jinks 1.

Overall winners on points were

Senior Girls - Brogan Milward 411

Junior Girls - Anna Slyunkova 325

Senior Boys - Ethan Walker 436

Junior Boys - James Masterson with max points of 450



#### Arena League

In the final round we ran out comfortable winners by around 30 points with a number of good PB's thrown into the mix. Overall we finished 8th in Division three of the League.

This was the end of the year meet for us and has a full range of events, which is unusual for a level three meet.

We had just 3 swimmers in attendance this year. Lily Jinks swam three races and was just outside her PB's and finished just outside the medals on the 200 IM (4th)



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#### Newcastle Meet

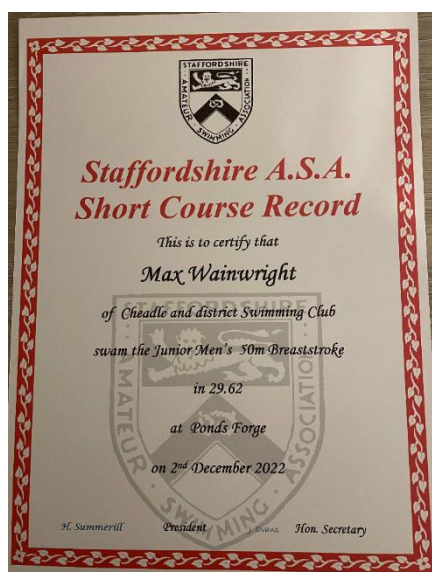
We had a number of swimmers chasing County Qualifying times for the Staffordshire County Championships starting 21st. Again a number of good PB's and some more County times achieved in particular Max Mottram achieved 9 County Times. Brooke Bartley also got her 50 Breast time.

#### Leeds Meet - 50 Metre Pool

Max Wainwright comfortably won the men's 50 Breast in a PB time of 29.56. This was also a Staffordshire Junior (16/u) Long Course record. Max also won the 100 Breast.

Ethan Walker won his age group 200 Fly, 200 IM and 50 Free 26.47 was a marginal PB. Ethan was 2nd on the 100 Breast 1.12.87 which was another PB.

**Swimmer of the Month for December**  
**By popular vote Tom & Will Horton (the bouncing boys).**



**Record Breaker!!**  
**Well done Max!**

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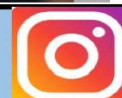
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Happy new year and all the best to our swim families



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## Parent Social Night

After a very busy few months we decided that our wonderful parents were in need of a night to relax and have some fun.

Thanks everyone who came. It was a lovely evening!



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## Newcastle Meet

### Well done Coach Becky!

You did an amazing job on poolside.

Many swimmers got those precious county times. Well done!



## Medal Glory



After training hard and waiting patiently, the medals have finally come. Well done **Ryan**. We are all very proud of you!

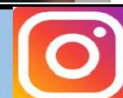


## Club Kit



**Lily** is loving her new Club Coat!

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### Little Otters

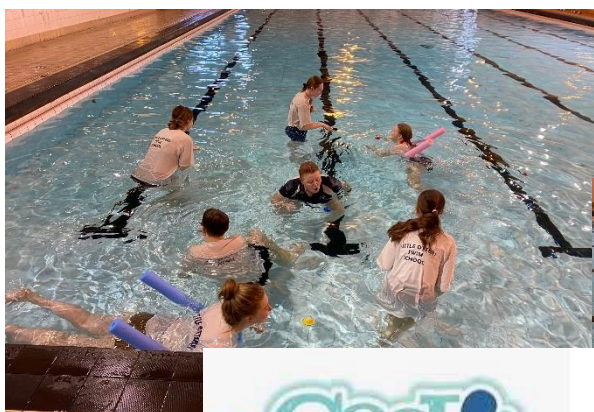


Little Otter's staff have thoroughly enjoyed their staff training session, led by Anna Lavan.

Interested in becoming a swimming teacher or volunteering?

Contact us.

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Little Otters continues to grow from strength to strength, with new swimmers beginning their swimming journey and existing swimmers moving on to the competitive side of the club.

In October we made changes to the existing swimming badge system. With approval from Swim England and using the existing knowledge and experience of our teachers, we enhanced the awards process to encourage water safety, water confidence and allowing the child to enjoy the process of learning to swim. This included breaststroke from an early age and introducing more stamina awards to ensure a child is competent in the large pool at Cheadle.

Our teacher's underwent a training session with more training to follow in the coming months. On this initial session they focused on making lessons fun.

December saw some challenges with illnesses and other Christmas activities taking place, but we finished the year with a high with lots of Christmas fun and games and a bit of chocolate to help us through. The staff would like to thank everyone who passed on their seasons greetings to us as well as the presents and cards we received.

We would like to say a special thanks to our teachers and volunteers, who without, our lessons would simply not be able to run. We were sorry to see Kylie leave at the end of the year as she goes off to pursue her studies to become a teacher. Kylie has been with us for many years as a swimmer, a young volunteer and finally a Level 2 teacher, so she will be missed.

If you are interested in teaching or volunteering please contact us at [littleotters.cheadleasc@outlook.com](mailto:littleotters.cheadleasc@outlook.com)



Here at Cheadle & District ASC we aim to develop our swimmers ***into caring, active citizens to be proud of***. Talking to many of the children and families, we all have become aware that many people in our communities are falling on hard times and a little help from us will be just what they need to get through the Winter months and beyond. We are asking our swimmers throughout the month of January to collect tins, cordial, coffee, tea, hot chocolate, dried foods such as pasta and rice, toiletries and nappies.

On week commencing 29<sup>th</sup> January we would like you bring your donations to your swimming sessions where members of the committee including Marie Mottram, Claire Jinks and Melissa/Steve Spooner will collect it all together and will drop it off at the collection point. A small group of swimmers will be helping us and we will post photos in the next newsletter and on our social media sites for you all to see.





I think we all got a bit of football fever following the World Cup. Our coach Andy was soon putting our children through their paces over Christmas.

We are very lucky to have such a great coach. Thank you Andy for all you do.

## Football Fever



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# Fundraising



We raised £340 pounds on the tombola stall at Cheadle Light Switch On. Thank you to Spencer for helping on the day.

We also raised a bit £542 pounds on the Christmas Raffle. A big thank you to the following –

Port Vale FC  
The New Vic Theatre  
The Upper House Barlaston  
The Gladstone Pottery Museum  
The Clubhouse – Newcastle  
Ninja Warrior – Hanley  
Royal Stafford - Burslem  
Middleport Pottery  
Peak Wildlife Park  
Dimensions  
Wavelength  
BeautifulYou - Dresden

**Frankie** won the day camp with Wavelength and had a great day!



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Thank you to Paul at United Carpets in Burslem for your donation. Every little helps!

Reminder – We have a noticeboard at Cheadle by the stairs and we have one at Denstone. Reminders and updates are put on.

Thank you to Claire Jinks for sorting out the noticeboard.



**We are in need of sponsors to enable the children to have t-shirts for future competitions. We need everyone to ask around and help out with this one! Your Club needs you!**

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### The Arena League

Diving into the Arena League 2022, we certainly made a splash!!! It was great to see our older swimmers leading the way. Many of our younger swimmers gave it all they had. There was no need to say 'Come on and make a noise.' We had for fantastic cheering from Lily and George! A win in the final round was a great result.



### Major Oak Open Meet

We had an incredible performance from our swimmers at the Mansfield Meet. An amazing amount of pb's and a huge haul of medals too!

Many gained those precious county times. There were some ups and downs. DQs, tears of frustration and lessons learnt. That's what makes us stronger as a club.



#### Special Mentions

**Lennon**, who completed his first open meet event with us did brilliantly.

**Hayden** for showing great support towards another swimmer.

Thank you to Head Coach Andy as always, Pip, Craig and Steve for giving their support poolside.

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